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IN THE MATTER OF FILING BY BELL ATLANTIC)	
NEW JERSEY INC. N/K/A VERIZON NEW)	
JERSEY OF A TARIFF REVISION OF B.P.U.N.J.)	ORDER OF APPROVAL
NO. 4, AS LISTED IN THE APPENDIX,)	
PROVIDING FOR REVISIONS TO CLEC)	
COLLOCATED INTERCONNECTION SERVICE)	
)	DOCKET NO.TT03040299

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

On June 30, 2000 Verizon New Jersey, Inc. (VNJ), formerly known as Bell Atlantic-New Jersey, Inc, filed tariff pages with the Board pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:1-5.11. In its filing, the company seeks to revise certain terms and conditions associated with Virtual Collocation arrangements that are currently governed by an interim tariff at Docket No.TT99050370.

Collocation allows competitors to access an Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier's unbundled network elements with their own equipment. Two kinds of collocation are available to a CLEC: physical and virtual collocation.

A CLEC may opt for a standard virtual collocation arrangement. In the existing arrangement, CLEC dedicated equipment is provided by the CLEC to VNJ for a nominal sum. VNJ owns and maintains the fiber, cable and equipment that it purchases from the CLEC. Upon termination of a service arrangement, pursuant to VNJ's tariff, the CLEC has the option of repurchasing the equipment for the same nominal fee. If it chooses not to, VNJ may be left with excess equipment in its accounting books.

This filing seeks to allow virtual collocation equipment and fiber to be leased by the collocator for a symbolic \$1.00 for the duration of the virtual collocation arrangement instead of being sold. Ownership of the equipment remains with the CLEC.

According to the filing, the CLEC will specify all software options for transmission equipment and associated plug-ins. By so doing, the CLEC will be able to electronically monitor and control its communications channels terminating in such equipment.

Even though a CLEC preserves ownership of the equipment during the collocation arrangements, maintenance of the leased equipment remains the responsibility of VNJ. This disposition limits a CLEC or its agent from entering, except with the help of an escort, the virtual collocation space.

The filing has no adverse effect on the petitioner's ability to provide safe and/or proper services to the public.

The Board therefore, FINDS that petitioner's request should be GRANTED and HEREBY APPROVES Petitioner's request.

DATED: 10/23/03

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